



**I Semester B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.M./B.S.W./B.C.A./G.M.T.  
Degree Examination, November/December 2019**

**BASIC ENGLISH**

**English — I – Words And Beyond**

**(New)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

1. Annotate **any two** of the following : (2 × 6 = 12)
- (a) “Well : that is good for me:  
that is how I desire to speak”.
  - (b) The four of them went back to the hut without further delay. They found the corpse missing, the litter empty.
  - (c) “Children have no manners but at least they’re honest – they never pretend”.
  - (d) Sarah’s fingers danced over the typewriter like little flies above a summer stream.
2. Answer **any one** of the following : (1 × 16 = 16)
- (a) What is Shaw’s attitude to speaking, ‘Correct English’, both as far as native speakers are concerned as well as foreign speakers of English?
  - (b) Discuss how the theme of death is the focus of the story, ‘The Living and the Dead’.
3. Annotate **any two** of the following : (2 × 6 = 12)
- (a) And I have learned, too, to laugh with only my teeth and shake hands without my heart.
  - (b) Had he and I but met  
By some old ancient inn.  
We should have sat us down to wet  
Right many a nipperkin!
  - (c) Shine on me, sunshine  
Rain on me, rain  
Fall softly, dewdrops  
And cool my brow again.
  - (d) She wants a fifty paise coin  
She says she will take you  
To the horseshoe shrine.

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4. Answer **any one** of the following :

(1 × 16 = 16)

- (a) How does artificiality and appearance creep into daily life according to Gabriel Okara?
- (b) What is Rabindranath Tagore's message to the countrymen in his poem 'Where the mind is without fear'?

5. Grammar :

(a) Rewrite the following sentences as directed :

(4 × 2 = 8)

- (i) I have reached my destination.  
(Rewrite into Past Perfect Tense)
- (ii) They are playing cricket.  
(Rewrite Past Continuous Tense)
- (iii) Parvati plays the violin brilliantly.  
(Rewrite into Simple Past Tense)
- (iv) My watch has kept good time.  
(Rewrite into Past Perfect Continuous Tense)

(b) Rewrite the following sentences as directed :

(4 × 2 = 8)

- (i) The Indians defeated the British at Mysore.  
(Rewrite into Present Continuous Tense)
- (ii) The ship had sailed.  
(Rewrite into Present Perfect Continuous Tense)
- (iii) She had been living here.  
(Rewrite into Simple Present Tense)
- (iv) She was completing her assignment.  
(Rewrite into Present Perfect Tense)

(c) Rewrite the following sentences into passive voice :

(4 × 2 = 8)

- (i) Everyone loves him.
- (ii) He handed her a chair.
- (iii) Columbus discovered America.
- (iv) The manager will give you a ticket.